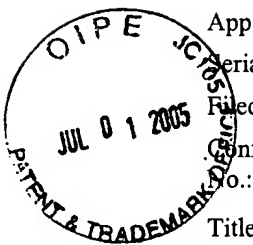


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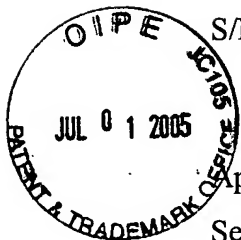
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Dear Sir:

The present communication is in response to the Office Action dated April 26, 2005. Please enter the following amendments to the claims and consider the following remarks addressing all points raised by the Office Action as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.